



August 15, 2019

Regional Freedom of Information Officer
U.S. EPA, Region 1 (OARM01-6)
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(617) 918-1102

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request

Dear Sir or Madam:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. 552, I am requesting copies and/or access to records held at EPA's Region 1 office.

Records of interest include documents created, compiled, and submitted to the EPA under regulatory programs such as the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), Clean Air Act (CAA), the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), and the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA).

Specifically, I am requesting release of a number of specific documents and types of documents held at Region 1 concerning the operations of Bercen Chemical Company in Providence, Rhode Island. Below, I have included information on the site occupant's name, address(es), and the types of documents requested. The following sections are arranged according to specific EPA regulatory programs.

TSCA Inventory Requested Documents

We understand that, under the chemical inventory provisions of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), Bercen Chemical Company, Inc. at 285 Valley Street, Providence, RI identified certain chemicals used at this site.¹ We therefore request the following documents related to this facility produced as required by TSCA:

- 1979 and earlier Trademark and Product Name submittals
- 1986 Reporting Year Data

¹ Research indicates that, starting in 1963, Bercen Chemical Company was a division or subsidiary of Cranston Print Works, and was also known as the company's "Bercen Division."

TSCA PCB Regulations

We understand that, under the PCB regulations adopted pursuant to section 6 of the Toxic Substances Control Act, that PCB waste materials may have been used or remediated at this installation. We therefore request the following documents related to PCBs and this site:

- Documentation of any PCB related notifications, inspections, and enforcement actions involving this location or party.

Request Information

History Associates requests the release of the above materials. If this is not possible, we request information as to why, as we understand that these collections are publically accessible under statutory regulations.

History Associates agrees to pay all reasonable and standard processing fees authorized by 5 U.S.C. 552(a)(4)(A) and the applicable regulations up to \$250. Should the fees exceed this amount, please call me with an estimate of the total costs in order that specific expenditures beyond \$250 can be authorized.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this request, please contact me at (301) 279-9697 or via email at HBergen@historyassociates.com.

Sincerely,

Hilary Bergen